

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



December 15, 1999

COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 99/00-42

TO: COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS
COUNTY AUDITORS CONTROLLERS
COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

SUBJECT: JANUARY 2000 COUNTY ADVANCES/PAYMENTS

In preparing for the century date change to the Year 2000, The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has developed a Business Continuation and Contingency Plan (BCCP) which covers the Department's mission critical systems. As a part of this BCCP, the Department has backup plans to ensure that county advances/payments can be made in a timely manner in the event of a Year 2000 problem. The Department has also been working with the U.S. Treasury, the State Treasurer's Office, and the State Controller's Office to ensure that plans are in place to protect the issuance of payments in the event of a Year 2000 failure.

As an added level of precaution, the Department will have the State Controller's Office (SCO) create the warrants for county advances/payments that would normally be issued in the first nine (9) days of January 2000 in December. The SCO will then release these warrants on the regularly scheduled release dates in January.

While the Department does not anticipate any problems in releasing advances to counties, these additional safeguards will provide added insurance so that our recipients are not adversely impacted by late payments to the counties.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Hiratsuka, Chief, Fiscal Systems Bureau at (916) 657-2386 or email at Jeffrey.Hiratsuka@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed on
December 7, 1999

GEORGE E. PEACHER, JR., CHIEF
FISCAL SYSTEMS AND ACCOUNTING BRANCH